

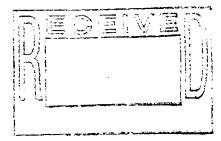
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Dear Sir or Madam:



This letter will serve as a 30 day notification pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994 that NBTY Inc. is using the following statements on our Pycnogenol supplements under one or more of the following brand names: American Health, Body Fortress, Good 'N Natural, Health's Finest, Heartland, Herbal Authority, Herbal Harvest, Herbal Sure, Hudson, Life's Finest, Natural Wealth, Nature's Bounty, Nutrition Headquarters, Nutrition Warehouse, Precision Engineered, Puritan's Pride, Select Herbal, US Nutrition, Vitamin World:

- Free radicals are unstable compounds that can occur naturally in our bodies.
- Free radicals can also be caused by pollution, smoking, even the sun.
- Free radicals can interfere with a normal cell's ability to function.
- Pycnogenol®, helps fight free radicals.
- Pycnogenol®, Vitamin A and Selenium help guard against free radicals.

The above statements are accompanied by the required disclaimer pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act.

Sincerely.

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